

BELLMORE-MERRICK CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2023 – 7:30 PM

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 3, 2023 (See attached)  
April 18, 2023 (See attached)
- IV. TREASURER’S REPORT – March 31, 2023 (Previously sent)
- V. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT
  - A. Presentations
    - Student Representatives

Jordan Nelson	Meadowbrook Alternative Program/Prep Academy
Rachel Oppenheim	Kennedy High School
Sophia Tripiccione	Calhoun High School
Lily Yepez	Mephram High School
  
    - Future Dates

May 4	Calhoun Grey Concert Mephram Concert II
May 11	Middle School Concert I Middle School Arts Expo at Grand
May 16	School Budget Vote
May 17	Kennedy Concert II & Spring Arts
May 18	Middle School Arts Expo at MAMS Middle School Concert II
May 19-20	Calhoun On Tour Season Finale
May 23	Mephram Art Show Science Performance Begins
May 24	Mephram Art Show Kennedy ASR Research Symposium Challenge Day at Calhoun
May 25	Middle School Honor Society Inductions
May 29	Memorial Day-Schools Closed
May 31	Senior Awards Night
June 1	Calhoun Spring Arts Calhoun Blue & Grey Awards Cougar Pride Awards Pirates Treasure Awards
June 2	Science Performance Ends On Tour Senior Show Calhoun Bambino Scholarship Show

June 6	Middle School 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Awards Calhoun Sports Booster Awards Mephram Varsity Awards Kennedy Spring Letter Ceremony
June 7	Board of Education Meeting

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS – *Agenda Items Only*

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VII. SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Information Item

We will be honoring our school district’s retirees at our June 7, 2023 regular meeting.

B. Donation

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept a donation of \$250.00 from the BMUST Women’s Committee for the Community Cupboard. (See attached)

C. Special Education

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the revised recommended Special Education vendors for the 2022-2023 school year. (See attached)
2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the recommended Special Education vendors for the 2023-2024 school year. (See attached)
3. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the following Special Education placements as recommended by the Committee on Special Education (CSE): 000010700, 000013269, 000013307, 000014586, 000016495, 000512112, 000513167, 000513633, 131261421, 131261537, 131264162, 81910039, 181910109, 181910118, 202100146, 202200175, 222310717, 222311264, 222311275, 992450312 and 999011399. (See attached)

- VIII. PERSONNEL REPORT – May 3, 2023 (See attached)
- A. Tenure Recommendations
  - B. Terminations
  - C. Resignations
  - D. Appointments
  - E. Salary Reclassification
  - F. Leave Requests
  - G. Assigned Services – Non-Athletics – Cancellation
  - H. Assigned Services – Non-Athletics
  - I. Assigned Services – Athletics
  - J. Assigned Services – Athletics – Intramurals
- IX. BUSINESS AND FINANCE
- A. Bills and Corresponding Warrant dated May 3, 2023 – **Information only** (Previously sent)
  - B. Bids (Previously sent)
  - C. Budget Summary dated April 30, 2023 – **Information Only** (Previously sent)
  - D. 2023-2024 Budgeted Reserves and Property Tax Report Card  
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the withdrawal of funds from the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve for the payment of sick leave for retirees in the 2023-2024 school year in an amount up to \$600,000.  
  
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the withdrawal of funds from the Employee Retirement Reserve for payment of employer retirement expense to the New York State Employee Retirement System in the 2023-2024 school year in an amount up to \$1,900,000.  
  
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the withdrawal of funds from the Teachers’ Retirement Reserve Sub-Fund for payment of employer retirement expense to the New York State Teacher’ Retirement System in the 2023-2024 school year in an amount up to \$1,000,000.  
  
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the withdrawal of funds from the Workers Compensation Reserve for payment of Workers Compensation expense in the 2023-2024 school year in an amount up to \$450,000.  
  
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the withdrawal of funds from the Reserve for Tax Reduction to reduce taxes and fund appropriations in the 2023-2024 school year in an amount up to \$1,200,000.  
  
BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the submission to the State Education Department and publication of the 2023-2024 Property Tax Report Card.  
(See attached)

- E. Federal Single Audit  
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept the Federal Single Audit Report for the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District for the year ended June 30, 2022.  
(See attached)
- F. District-Wide Safety Team  
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of the District-Wide Safety Team for the 2023-2024 school year.
- G. BOCES of Nassau County-Summer School  
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve an agreement with BOCES of Nassau County for a “Regional Summer School Program” with a provision for distance learning for Bellmore-Merrick Central High School students and others commencing on or about July 1, 2023 through August 31, 2023 at costs listed therein. (See attached)
- H. BOCES-Twilight Program  
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve an agreement with BOCES of Nassau County for a “Twilight Alternative High School Program” at Brookside for Bellmore-Merrick Central High School students and others commencing on or about September 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 at costs listed therein.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorized the Board President to sign said agreement. (See attached)
- I. Owner-Contractor Agreements
1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve an Owner-Contractor agreement with Stasi General Contracting, LLC., for interior and site reconstruction at Grand Avenue Middle School, with a contract sum of \$960,000.00 subject to additions and deductions. (See attached)
  2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve an Owner-Contractor agreement with Stalco Construction, Inc., for interior and site reconstruction at Grand Avenue Middle School, with a contract sum of \$202,000.00 subject to additions and deductions. (See attached)
- J. Scholarship Establishment  
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the establishment of the Vincent S. Romano Italian Language Scholarship. The scholarship of \$1,000.00 will be awarded to a John F. Kennedy High School student who has demonstrate excellence in the study of the Italian language, and who has shown interest in Italian culture. (See attached)
- K. Health and Welfare Services Agreement  
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools to execute contracts to provide health and welfare services to specific students who reside in the Bellmore-Merrick CHSD and attend a non-public school in one of the following school districts for the 2022-2023 School Year: Westbury Union Free School District.

L. Memorandum of Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District hereby approves and ratifies the attached Memorandum of Agreement dated this 3<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023 by and between the negotiation representatives of the Civil Service Employees Association, Inc., Local 1000, AFSCME, AFL-CIO – Nassau Educational Local 865 and the negotiating representatives of the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District.

M. Denial of Request for Legal Defense and Indemnification

WHEREAS, in accordance with Education Law §3811 and/or Public Officer’s Law §18, an individual staff member whose identity is known to the Board of Education, has submitted a timely written request for legal defense and indemnification in an action dated April 24, 2023, and received by the District on April 24, 2023, under index no: 900003/2023; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned legal action contains allegations, inter alia, that such individual staff member, known to the Board of Education, engaged in criminal activity, and engaged in acts which constitutes acts outside of his scope of his duties and responsibilities as a teacher; and

WHEREAS, according to Section 3811 of the Education Law and Public Officer’s Law Section 18, under circumstances as stated above, such individual staff member known to the Board of Education, is not entitled to defense and indemnification in the above-referenced legal action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District DENIES and REJECTS such individual staff member’s request for defense and indemnification in the above-referenced legal action.

N. Educational Data Services, Inc.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve an agreement with Educational Data Services, Inc. for software licensing and maintenance services for the NY/Island Cooperative supply bids at a cost of \$9,670, and Skilled Trades & Ancillary services at a cost of \$2,100 for the 2023-2024 school year. (See attached)

O. New York/Island Cooperative Bid

WHEREAS, it would be in the joint interest of the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District and the following school districts (*SEE ATTACHED LISTING*) to participate in cooperative bids for the purchase of various supplies, services, materials and equipment, as advertised by and awarded by the Clarkstown Central School District acting as the Lead Agency, as provided by General Municipal Law Section 119-0, and,

WHEREAS, each BOARD retains the legal authority to contract with the successful Vendor(s) and shall not be bound by purchase contracts or other agreements made by the other BOARD(S),

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District hereby agrees to participate with the attached named school districts in such cooperative bids. (See attached)

X. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

XI. CORRESPONDENCE

XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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XIII. MOTION TO CONVENE TO PUBLIC HEARING – 2023-2024 SCHOOL BUDGET

XIV. POTENTIAL EXECUTIVE SESSION

XV. ADJOURNMENT

**Budget Vote: Tuesday, May 16, 2023**  
**Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, June 7, 2023**